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Notes from KK4BK (Brian)

Dear SWARC members,

As September rolls around, there are several things to keep in mind.

First – the kids are back in school. That really applies to all the parents out there. Family comes first, Work second and HAM Radio third. And, as school gets into gear, it's a great time to talk the science of HAM Radio. If nothing more – its time with the kids. I promise they grow up faster than you think. And for those of you that don't have kids – watch for them on the street and those flashing yellow boxes. Yea – I know – they screw up traffic. But I promise – hitting a kid will screw up traffic for a longer period of time. Watch out for them

Second – Don't forget Club Dues are ... Due. Your dues help with lots of activities within the club. Beginning with the funds paid to the KQ4RCH Danny Hampton Memorial Club for use of the 145.21 repeater.

Later in the newsletter will be a budget to be discussed and voted on in an upcoming monthly meeting. Please give it a glance and be ready to voice your opinions.



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Third – your ham radio station. It's nice to know some of us have made it this far into the year without major storm damages. It's time to get out there (while its cool) and check your antennas and coax runs. It sure will beat doing it now instead of when it 30 degrees. Granted – 10 below isn't normal here – but do your maintenance as if it were.

Lastly, Thank You to KD4OKR and KD4MC for calling the Tuesday and Wednesday night nets. Also, a continued Thank You to the other long-standing Net Control Operators.

de KK4BK

Please remember our fellow members who are dealing with various medical situations. Please reach out to these members. Even a phone call can brighten their day and give them encouragement through their recovery.

We ask you to keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Gary, KO4LQX, and Kenny, KJ4CVK.

Gary Plante, KO4LQX, reports:

Nothing new here; I'm still off the immunotherapy and will be getting scans on the 8th and an Oncology visit on the 9th to discuss the results.



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Hope all is well with you and the gang. Take care and thanks for checking in.

Gary

Kenny, KJ4CVK, is in an assisted living facility, in Lillington.

Notes from KO4ZZFO (Rodney)

The public calendar is now available on our website. Feel free to add it to your personal calendar by clicking on the “Add to Google Calendar” link on that page. This calendar is viewable on our Events page. If you would like to share an event on this calendar, please send us a request.

The NC State Fair is just around the corner, and volunteers are still needed at the Ham Radio booth. If you would like to participate, please contact Travis Russell, KN4WJL for availability. Time slots are limited, so don't wait to sign up.

Lastly, if you have an idea for a monthly presentation, or know of someone who would be interested in speaking to club, please let me know.

I look forward in seeing you all at the Fall Picnic,



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73,

Rodney, KO4ZFO

SWARC 6 Aug 2025 Meeting

Thanks to all who brought things for us to eat.

This was a nicely attended meeting, the fellowship was great and the program was very informational.

Attendees: Richard (KR4LH), Dave, (NW3U), Rich (KZ4ET) and wife Jane, Christy (KJ4AEO), Don (KN4OEY), Paul (KN4GNI), Brian (K4BK), Mike (KD4OKR), Diane (KE4VNX), Mike (KD4MC), Steve (WB4SMS), Tom (KC2QVD), Phil (KZ4OE), David (KQ4ZLK), Rodney (KO4ZFO), Ron (K4AAA), Bill (KK4QDZ), Michael (KD4RFD), Bernie (N4BAJ), Ken (KN4GUS), Navin (KF4LFW), Dave (K4MSE) and guests Chad (N4WCS) and Chris (no call).



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BUDGET FOR DISCUSSION

Expenses		
Donation to American Legion Post 116	250	
Donation to Danny Hampton Memorial Club	660	
Donations No Kids Left Behind	150	
Fee - Bank	75	
Fee - PO Box Annual	250	
Fee - Square	20	
Food Expense-meetings	500	41.6667
Ham of the Year	75	
Memorials	250	
Testing Supply Expense	100	
T-shirts Expense	0	
NC State Fair expenses	0	
NCQSO Party award sponsorship	50	
Raffle Prizes-gift cards		
RARS table	0	

Expense Total

2380

Income	
50/50 Raffle	100
Donations collected	200
Dues	2100
Meal collection	
Sale of Raffle Tickets	
Sale of T-shirts	200



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Income Total

2600

TREASURER'S REPORT

Christy Fernandini's report highlighted income of \$345.00 from dues and donations with expenses of \$33.36 for Square and bank fees. Balance of \$2,555.43 with no obligated funds.

Public Service

To learn more about future events, you can go to <https://hpsnc.org/>. However, here are the current and future support needs:

Check the HPSNC.org web site often for Public Service opportunities. The public service season is very active and events need volunteers. You may also get to public service events on the RARS and SWARC websites.

MEMBERSHIP

It is now time to renew your membership, if you have not already done so. You can pay at a meeting or send a check to the PO Box – OR ->



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We currently have a link on our website which allows you to pay your dues or make a donation. Please let us know when you pay online by emailing me, so that I can ensure your payment is marked either for dues or a donation. The link for SWARC dues is:

<https://urldefense.com/v3/https://square.link/u/h0LLrbD6?src=sms/>

You can bring a check or cash for dues to the next meeting or mail them to the club PO box and Christy will advise she has received them. Also, you can now renew online by contacting Christy and giving her the appropriate credit card info for the 'Square' account. Christy's email is christyfernandini@outlook.com. Make checks payable to South Wake ARC and send to South Wake ARC – PO Box 1565 – Fuquay Varina, NC 27526

NET REPORT

We will no longer be reporting net numbers. **Very few** net controls record their counts, so numbers could be significantly higher than recorded.

If you are a net control, please try to document your check-ins so that we can justify the trustee's provision of the repeater for our nets and other uses. **If you need help with the spreadsheet, send KR4LH a copy**



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of your handwritten log and he will enter them. Text Richard at 830-515-9762 with a picture of your log.

- Sunday evenings - KR4LH
 - Monday evenings - KO4ZFO
 - Tuesday evenings – KD4OKR
 - Wednesday evenings except on meeting nights – KD4MC
 - Thursday evenings – KN4OEY
 - Friday evenings - NC4MP
 - Saturday evenings – KK4BK
- And we need backups – JUST BECAUSE.

Welcome to new substitute net controllers: CD Murphy (KM4IJK), Bryant Byrd (KQ4UHZ), Al Kinnamon (WA3JJG) and Mark McFarland (KD7AAG).

Please contact Brian Knox (KK4BK), if you are interested in calling one or more nets. **If you are a scheduled net controller and you are not able to call your net, please reach out and ask someone else to call it for you!**



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SWARC Mission Statement

South Wake ARC's primary purpose is to further the Amateur Radio Service through programs, activities, and education, in order to promote the radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency of its members. Further, it shall be our purpose to support the welfare of our community through public service including radio communications for emergency situations and public events, and through providing information, training, and assistance to individuals or organizations with an interest in the Amateur Radio Service. Refer to the SWARC web site for the Board of Directors/Officers and Appointed Positions.

LINKS (if you have other links that you want added, send them to me)

PRN

A Wide Area Digital Amateur Radio Network

www.ncprn.net

GigaParts

www.gigaparts.com

QRZ

www.qrz.com

Ham Radio Outlet HRO

www.hamradio.com

Raleigh Amateur Radio Society RARS

www.rars.org

Johnson Amateur Radio Society JARS

www.jars.net



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South Wake Amateur Radio Club SWARC

www.southwakearc.com

Carolina 440 Network

www.carolina440.net

North Carolina Packet

www.ncpacket.com

TARPN (Terrestrial Amateur Packet Radio Net)

www.tarpn.net

Useful Ham Info

www.torborg.com/a

Five County Ham Radio Enthusiasts

www.fivecountyhre.org

Ham Study (Exam Tools)

www.hamstudy.org

Due to formatting issues, I will forward the most recent ARRL News to all members, regardless of your membership in ARRL or not!